

In re Patent Application of

Shunpei YAMAZAKI

Serial No. 09/433,705

Filed: November 4, 1999

For: METHOD OF FABRICATING

A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

) Group Art Unit: 2811

) Examiner: S. Loke

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with The United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mall in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents,

Washington, D.C. 20131, on

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 5, 2001, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cartel claims 1-12 without prejudice to applicant's right to file a divisional application with respect thereto.

## **REMARKS**

In response to the election requirement in the Office Action of June 5, 2001, Applicant hereby elects without traverse the Group I claims - that is, claims 13-41, drawn to a semiconductor device.

Examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric J. Robinson

Registration No. 38,285

NIXON PEABODY LLP 8180 Greensboro Drive, Suite 800 McLean, Virginia 22102 (703) 790-9110

187533.1